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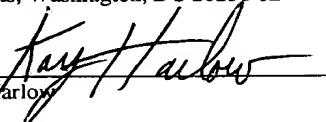
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Separate Letter to the Official Draftsperson

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the formal drawings (Figures 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5A, 5B, and 5C), for the above-referenced case. If the draftsperson has any questions concerning these drawings, please contact the undersigned at the number set forth below. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of these drawings, please charge such fees to deposit account 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P258).

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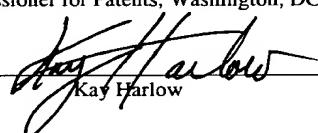
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, Filing Date Granted, mailed on August 21, 2001, Applicants hereby attach a Separate Letter to the Official Draftsperson, Formal Drawings (Figures 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5A, 5B and 5C), and the copy of the Notice to be returned with this Response.

Applicants believe no charges are due in connection with the submission of these papers, however the Commissioner is authorized to charge any other fees that may be due to our Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P258).

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